

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2006**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Transportation Committee was Convened at 9:37 a.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 2006 in Committee Room #2.

The Following Committee Members were Present

**The Honorable Clair Muller, Chair
The Honorable Kwanza Hall
The Honorable Felicia A. Moore
The Honorable Mary Norwood**

The Following Committee Member was Absent

**The Honorable C. T. Martin, Vice Chair
The Honorable H. Lamar Willis**

Also present was The Honorable Ivory Young, Jr.

Others in attendance were Mario Diaz, Deputy General Manager-Aviation; Anita Williams, Aviation; Nikki Purdie, Legislative Counsel-Law; Saul Schultz, Law; Robert Caput, Law; Gladys Ali, Aviation; Nursef Kedir, Public Works; Leeshu Kennedy, Manager of External Affairs-Marta; Members of the Press and Council Staff.

Chairperson Muller decided to hear Public Comments while waiting on a Quorum. The first speaker, Mr. P. Hendricks came forward to address the Committee about his dissatisfaction of the format on hand for the Ansley Park Traffic Plan. Councilmember Moore informed the Chair that that piece of Legislation had been previously Filed. Chairperson Muller indicated that the Committee should ask the Urban Design Commission for a copy of the Traffic Plan.

C. DISCUSSION ITEM

MARTA Quarterly Presentation

Mr. Scott Smith, the Government and Community Relations Director for MARTA, came forward to address the Committee and to introduce the presenters for the Quarterly Report. Mr. Johnny Dunning, Regional Planning Manager, Mr. Darryl Connelly, Transit Oriented Development and Real Estate Director, Mr. Marvin Toliver, Community Relations Manager and Ms. Leeshu Kennedy, Supervisor of External Affairs.

C. DISCUSSION ITEM (CONT'D)

The presentation included reports on Beltline Alternatives Analysis, Transit Oriented Development and Mr. Toliver provided a follow-up response to previous questions from the Committee.

The Committee asked for a list of States that provide an Operating Fund for its Transit System. Mr. Toliver submitted a list of "The 2004 Ten Most Populated States", taken from the 2004 National Transit Database and American Public Transit Association. The Committee responded by indicating a resolution would be forthcoming to address this issue. Mr. Toliver also stated that he had provided the Committee with a website with information concerning the Citizens Core that supports Homeland Security Exercises provided by the Georgia State Defense Force.

Councilmember Hall requested an update at the next Transportation Committee meeting on safety measures being implemented in and around MARTA Stations.

The Chair asked to have at least two MARTA Board Members attend the Quarterly Meetings. Mr. Smith responded that the Board is requiring Board members to attend the City Council Meetings on an annual basis and to present information informing the Council of MARTA's operations and where they are going in the future and that a request would be made to have them attend these meetings also.

Public Works Presentation: Parking Meter Program

The Chair announced that the presentation scheduled from the Department of Public Works on the Parking Meter Program would be postponed for at least two weeks. The new division in Planning and Transportation would be getting involved and delivering a more comprehensive presentation.

The Agenda was Adopted without objection and the Minutes for the Transportation Meeting held on August 30, 2006 were approved without objection.

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D. RESOLUTION(S)

06-R-1306 (1) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Aviation General Manager to issue Work Authorization No. 5 to Atlanta Gateway Designers, a Joint Venture between Gresham, Smith & Partners and Duckett Design Group, for FC-7369-01C, Architectural and Engineering Major Support Services in an amount not to exceed \$8,500,000.00 for Program Validation, Concept Development and Schematic Design of the Maynard Holbrook Jackson, Jr. International Terminal Project at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport; all contracted work shall be charged to and paid from Fund, Account and Center Number 2H33 (2004 Airport Passenger Facility Charge Bond Fund) 574001 (Facilities other than Buildings) R21E012693CR (Eastside Terminal – MHJIT (Non-Amt); and for other purposes. **(Held 7/12/06 for additional discussion and consideration by Committee; Worksession held 8/22/06; Referred by Full Council 9/05/06.)**

The Chair reminded the Committee that legislation was referred back from Council because of a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) issue by the Courts. Mario Diaz, Deputy General Manager, confirmed that the Committee should have an answer from the Courts by Monday 9/18/06. The Chair indicated that in the event the Courts do not respond, the Council could hold legislation in the breast of Council. Senior Assistant City Attorney Robert Caput, informed the Committee that he would notify the Chair of the Courts decision.

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D. RESOLUTION(S)

06-R-2031 (2)

A **Substitute** Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute Change Order No.1 with Kissberg Construction, Inc. for FC-7382-01, Annual Contract for Citywide Demolition Services, on behalf of the Department of Aviation; in an Amount not to exceed \$165,801.60; all contracted services will be charged to and paid from Fund, Account and Center Number 2H21 (Airport Renewal and Extension Fund) 571001 (Land) R21E0901AZ51 (Land ACQ., Noise Complatt. W/In 70-75 DNL); and for other purposes.

The Chair noted that this legislation is for the demolition of Gilbert Gardens and that once the demolition began, the engineers discovered that the cost for demolition would be more than originally charged. Councilmember Moore asked for the original contract amount and if this additional amount would be coming from the same fund. Mario Diaz, Deputy General Manager, stated the original amount was \$402,046.20 and that this amount and the additional amount would come from the same fund. A Substitute was brought forward without objection. Councilmember Moore asked for clarification concerning the route for Change orders. Senior Assistant City Attorney Robert Caput came forward and stated that on occasion Change Orders had gone to Finance/Executive Committee, but the Code of Ordinances state that Change Orders for Transportation purview projects should go to the Transportation Committee. Ms. Moore requested that Mr. Caput provide a copy of the Code section covering change order purview.

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06-R-2032 (3)

A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Dynalectric Company for FC-3006007946, Airline Employee Parking Relocation – Phase I, on behalf of the Department of Aviation, in an amount not to exceed \$2,448,610.65; all contracted work will be charged to and paid from Fund, Account and Center Number 2H21 (Airport Renewal and Extension Fund) 574001 (Facilities Other Than Buildings) R21001 (Hartsfield Capital Programs); and for other purposes.

HELD WITHOUT OBJECTION AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT TO WORK OUT AN ISSUE WITH PROCUREMENT; MOTION BY MULLER

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D. RESOLUTION(S)

- 06-R-2033 (4) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Space Permit covering 848.09 square feet of space at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport with Frontier Airlines, Inc., on behalf of the Department of Aviation; and for other purposes.

Mario Diaz, the Deputy General Manager explained that this Space Permit allows Aviation to relocate Airlines, back offices, ticket offices and operations space to accommodate the installation of an Explosive Detection System and for a new Common Use Facility. No investment is required from either party. Councilmember Moore offered an amendment for this and companion legislation 06-R-2034, 06-R-2035 and 06-R-2036, to reference in the caption that, "any additional lease expansion shall not exceed 2,000 square feet without Council approval"; and to add the respective square footage for each resolution to Resolve Clause, #4, line one, after the word approve.

FAVORABLE AS AMENDED MOTION BY HALL 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS

- 06-R-2034 (5) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Space Permit covering 1,312.83 square feet of space at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport with Air Canada; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE AS AMENDED MOTION BY HALL 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS

- 06-R-2035 (6) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Space Permit covering 553.39 square feet of space at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, on behalf of the Department of Aviation; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE AS AMENDED MOTION BY HALL 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS

- 06-R-2036 (7) A **Substitute** Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Space Permit covering 1,018.59 square feet of space at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport with British Airways, LTD., on behalf of the Department of Aviation; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE ON SUBSTITUTE AS AMENDED MOTION BY HALL 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS

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E. PAPER(S) HELD IN COMMITTEE

- 06-O-0186 (1) An Ordinance by Councilmember Natalyn M. Archibong **as amended by Transportation Committee** authorizing the Mayor or her designee to make Harold Avenue, NE a Three-Way Stop where it intersects with Muriel Avenue, NE; and for other purposes. **(Amended and held 1/11/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study and discussion with author.)**
- 06-O-0189 (2) An Ordinance by Councilmember Natalyn M. Archibong **as amended by Transportation Committee** authorizing the Mayor or her designee to make the intersection of Indiana Avenue, NE and Connecticut Avenue, NE an All-Way Stop; and for other purposes. **(Amended and held 1/11/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study and discussion with author.)**
- 06-O-0489 (3) An Ordinance by Councilmember Joyce M. Sheperd authorizing the Mayor or her designee to study vehicular and pedestrian traffic on Metropolitan Parkway to determine the placement of additional traffic calming signage warning of the School Zone for Capitol View Elementary School; and for other purposes. **(Held 2/15/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study.)**
- 06-O-0490 (4) An Ordinance by Councilmember Joyce M. Sheperd authorizing the Mayor or her designee to install traffic calming measures to reduce speeding on Springdale Road, SW from Perkerson Drive, SW to Cleveland Avenue, SW; and for other purposes. **(Held 2/15/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study.)**
- 06-O-0491 (5) An Ordinance by Councilmember Joyce M. Sheperd authorizing the Mayor or her designee to install traffic calming measures to reduce speeding on Oak Drive, SE from Empire Boulevard, SE to Brownsmill Road, SE; and for other purposes. **(Held 2/15/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study.)**
- 06-O-0492 (6) An Ordinance by Councilmember Joyce M. Sheperd authorizing the Mayor or her designee to install traffic calming measures to reduce speeding on Bromack Road, SE from Macon Drive, SE to Brownsmill Road, SE; and for other purposes. **(Held 2/15/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study.)**

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E. PAPER(S) HELD IN COMMITTEE

- 06-O-1328 (7) An Ordinance by Councilmembers Mary Norwood and Clair Muller **as substituted by Transportation Committee** to make the southbound intersections of Northside Drive at King Road, Blackland Drive, Valley Road and Tuxedo Road and the westbound intersections of West Paces Ferry Road at Tuxedo Road, Woodhaven, Habersham Road, West Andrews Drive, Chatham Road and Valley Road No-Left Turn; and for other purposes. **(Substituted and held 6/14/06 to provide the authors an opportunity to perfect the legislation.)**
- 06-R-1572 (8) A Resolution by Councilmember Kwanza Hall requesting that the Mayor or her designee remove those Parking meters on Auburn Avenue from Courtland Street to Jackson Street; and for other purposes. **(Held 7/12/06 for additional discussion and consideration by Committee and presentation on the City Parking Meter Program by Public Works.)**
- 06-O-1600 (9) An Ordinance by Councilmember Clair Muller authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City to grant a temporary Construction Easement to CSX Transportation ("CSX") through Tanyard Creek Park, and to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with CSX setting forth the consideration to be received by the City in exchange for granting the construction Easement; and waiving the application to CSX of provisions _____ of the Atlanta Code of Ordinances for purposes of the Construction Easement only; and for other purposes. **(Held 8/16/06 at the request of the Department to work out details of the Agreement with CSX.)**

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There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was Adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


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Larry Stokes, Research & Policy Analyst


**The Honorable Clair Muller, Chair
Transportation Committee**